

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application No. : 10/598,502 Confirmation No. 6549
Applicant : Yuichiro Nakamura et al.
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Examiner : Mark L. Shevin
Customer No. : 00270
Title : SPUTTERING TARGET WITH FEW SURFACE DEFECTS,
AND SURFACE PROCESSING METHOD THEREOF

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
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AMENDMENT

Sir:

This is an Amendment timely submitted in response to a non-final Office Action dated December 22, 2009. Kindly amend the application as set forth below.

Amendments to the Specification being on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.